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For public testimony.

Richard, I had not submitted comments on this proposal because I knew that the hearth industry was going to comment. I just didn't anticipate how many would be there to provide their testimony and how passionate they would be. To say that the testimony was overwhelming would be an understatement. My recommendation to the SBCC, for what it's worth, is to just disapprove the proposal in total rather than try to craft some modified language for the code. I would further recommend that the Council recommend to the Governor's office and/or the Legislature to take up a formal standards rulemaking to establish a standard similar to what's been done in BC. Not 100% sure if that's what the process is in WA, but I think you understand what I mean. Thanks.

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